MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I do not think that any such point has been raised in the debate as could not be rectified, if necessary, in the Select Committee or in the later stages of the Bill. I do not therefore propose to take up the time of the House and deal at all with this matter at this stage.

The question that the principle of the Bill be accepted by the House was then put to vote and carried.

The Secretary then read the title of the Bill.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I beg to move that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of—

Messrs. T. K. Velu Pillai,
P. K. Narayana Pillai,
K. Kunjukrishna Pillai,
S. Padmanabha Menon,
P. C. Kurien,
S. Chattanatha Karayalar,
T. P. Velayudhan Pillai,
K. C. Karunakaran,
K. Sankaran,
M. K. Madhavan Pillai,
Antony George,
N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib,
J. W. Tolson
M. L. Janardanan Pillai, and
P. S. Mahomed.

to report within four months.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

## THE TRAVANCORE ANCIENT MONUMENTS PRESERVATION BILL.

MR KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I rise to introduce the Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation Bill. It has been published in the Gazette with a Statement of Objects and Reasons. I move that the Bill be read in the Assembly.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, at present there is no law for the preservation of ancient monuments of archaeological, historical or aesthetic interest, found in the various parts of Travancore. The Bill provides for the protection of these monuments in general, for the punishment of wilful or malicious destruction or mutilation of such monuments, and also for the prevention of undesirable traffic in objects of antiquities found in Travancore. It has been brought to the notice of Government, Sir, that

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[Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai.]

valuable objects of great historical interest are being subjected to vandalism in the country. Government feel that, without suitable legislation, it will be impossible to preserve these articles in their purity.

The Bill has been drafted on the lines of the corresponding British Indian enactment. I may also inform the House that there is a similar enactment in Mysore. I think Cochin also has a statute of a similar nature. I commend the Bill for the acceptance of the House.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): I have great pleasure n supporting this Bill.

The question that the principle of the Bill be accepted by the House was put to vote and carried.

The Secretary then read the title of the Bill.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I beg to move that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of —

Messrs. T. K. Velu Pillai.
P. K. Narayana Pillai,
S. Paramesvara Aiyar,
S. Padmanabha Menon,
J. S. Jayantan Nampootiri,
K. Sankaran,
S. J. Nair,
K. P. Krishna Menon,
M. Sivatanu Pillai,
A. Easwara Pillai (*Kottarakara*),
T. K. Alexander, and
N. E. Varughese.

to report within four months.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Moovattupuzha II*): I would suggest the name of Mr. P. C. Kurien also.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): I second it.

The motion, as amended by Mr. Kuriakose, was put to vote and carried.

## THE TRAVANCORE BOILERS BILL.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to move that the Travancore Boilers Bill, as passed by the Sri Chitra State Council, be passed. Sir, when on a previous day in this session, I made this same motion, namely, that the Bill, as passed by the Sri Chitra State Council, be passed into law, a point was raised that, in the Short Title of the Bill the year mentioned is 1110 and that, as we are now in the year 1111, it may not be right to pass the Bill with this short title. I then pointed out, Sir, that it was after all only a short title, a mere name or symbol and that it did not really matter much by what name we call it and whether we call it a cross or

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